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November 17th,  
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Mr. Timothy N. Pfeiffer,  
c/o Clarence E. Case,  
Somerville, N.J.

RE: IRA B. NIXON

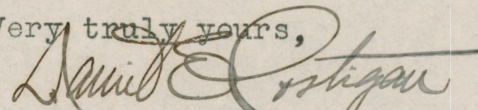
Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

Please find enclosed report on W.J.  
Farrell on IRA B. NIXON of 276 Ridge St., Newark, N.J.

I personally called at #55 Water Street,  
New York City and there interviewed Mr. Smith, President  
of the Clarkson, Ford Engine Oil Company at that address,  
who stated that Ira B. Nixon is president of a very small  
oil company at that address and that they gave him per-  
mission to put their address on his stationery. That he  
came there every four or five weeks, but that when he sold  
oil to his customers they bill the customers the oil, so  
that Nixon is nothing more or less than a salesman who  
sells oil and gets a commission from this company, who  
delivers the oil to his customers. Mr. Smith knew very  
little about him and said he was surprised when he read  
the story in the newspapers of his connection with the  
Hall-Mills case. He further stated that he did not know  
anything of his social connections and was unable to give  
me any leads whereby I could look him up in New York.  
He did give me his address in Newark and said he appears  
to be a sensible type of man, whom he thought minded his  
own business.

I mailed you two copies of the World to 64 West  
Main Street, Somerville, last P.M. and hope you received them.

Very truly yours,

  
DANIEL E. COSTIGAN.

P.S. I also called at Police Headquarters for the purpose  
of ascertaining whether Ira B. Nixon might have a record  
there, but found that such was not the case.

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